



ABSTRACT

Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project - Procurement of 90 (Hearse) Mortuary vans and Freezer boxes to Free Hearse Service at a total cost of Rs.11.25 Crore - Sanctioned- Orders - Issued.

HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (EAPI-1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms).No. 423

Dated:17.09.2018

Thiruvalluvar Aandu – 2049

Vilambi, Puratasi –1

Read :

1. G.O.(Ms).No.342, Health and Family Welfare (EAPI-1) Department, dated: 03.12.2010
2. G.O (MS).No.166, Health and Family Welfare (AD1) Department, dated: 08.05.2017.
3. From the Project Director, Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project, letter No.4285/HSP/FHS/2017, dated: 13.02.2018.

ORDER:

In Government Order first read above, orders have been issued for the establishment of Free Hearse Service. 180 vehicles have been sanctioned to cover all the Government Medical Institutions in the State to cater the needs of deceased transportation. At present 159 vehicles are operational in all the Government Medical College hospitals and Government Head Quarters hospitals in the state. To cater the unfulfilled / missed cases and to achieve the 100% demand as against now at 94%, it is planned to increase the fleet strength to 180 as envisaged in the Government Order first cited.

2. The Project Director, Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project has stated that at present the vehicles for this transportation are being utilized which has been phased out from 108 ambulance service. The 108 ambulances which has crossed the norms (6 yrs of age and 2.5 lakh km) are being transferred to Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) for the operations of Free Hearse Service (FHS) after the approval of the Replacement Committee. As these vehicles have already crossed the norms and are aged, require frequent repair and maintenance especially after long distance travel. However the Indian Red Cross Society, Tamil Nadu branch has managed to run the vehicle though it is aged.

3. The Project Director, Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project has stated that operating old vehicles increases the repair and refurbishment charges and the mileage coverage also deteriorating due to long distance operation as this service is being provided irrespective of Kilo Metre limitations.

4. The Project Director, Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project has stated that during the Condemnation Committee meeting held on 17.07.2017, out of the 135 vehicles inspected, 91 vehicles were recommended for condemnation.

5. The Project Director, Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project has stated that the vehicles, recommended for condemnation are grounded, as per the orders issued in the Government Order second read above. The State Health Transport Department (SHTD) has been requested to auction the above vehicles. At present 159 vehicles are in the inventory, out of which the Indian Red Cross Society, Tamil Nadu branch has now submitted a proposal for inspection by State Health Transport Department (SHTD) for 69 vehicles which requires frequent repair and maintenance. Out of the 69 vehicles requested for inspection 23 are off road. The Indian Red Cross Society, Tamil Nadu branch has operated on an average atleast 1 lakh Kilo Metre after taking over from Emergency Management Research Institute (EMRI).

6. The Project Director, Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project has requested the Government to sanction atleast 100 new vehicles with freezer box in place of vehicles which have already been condemned and proposed for inspection/off road at a cost of Rs.12.5 crore and to procure the same through Tamil Nadu Medical Services Corporation.

7. The Government after careful consideration of the proposal of the Project Director, Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project in detail accord sanction a sum of Rs.1125.00 lakh (Rupees Eleven crore and twenty five lakh only) for the procurement of 90 (Hearse) Mortuary vans at a unit cost of Rs. 10.00 lakh per vehicle and 90 Freezer boxes at a unit cost of Rs. 2.5 lakh per box through Tamil Nadu Medical Service Corporation (TNMSC).

8. The expenditure sanctioned in para 7 above shall be debited to the following head of account:-

2210 Medical and Public Health – 80 General – 800 Other Expenditure - State's Expenditure – JK Establishment of Free Hearse Services in Government Medical Institutions through IRCS –	
19 Machinery and Equipments – 01 purchase (DPC 2210 80 800 JK (1911)	Rs. 2,25,00,000/-
21 Motor Vehicle -01 Purchase (DPC 2210 80 800 JK (2116)	Rs. 9,00,00,000/-
Total	Rs.11,25,00,000/-

9. The Project Director, Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project is directed that the amount sanctioned in para 7 shall not be paid in cash but credited to the following Project Director Account of Tamil Nadu Medical Services Corporation Limited:

"K Deposit and Advances (b) Deposits not bearing interest – 8443.00 – Civil Deposit - 800 – Other Deposits – CE Deposits of Tamil Nadu Medical Services Corporation Limited " (DPC 8443 00 800 CE 000H) (Receipts)

10. Necessary funds will be provided in the RE/FMA 2018-19. Pending provision of such funds in RE/FMA 2018-2019, the Project Director, Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para 7 above. However, this expenditure shall be brought to the notice of the legislature by Specific inclusion in the Supplementary Estimates 2018-2019. The Project Director, Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project is also requested to include this expenditure while sending the budget proposals for RE/FMA 2018-2019 and draft explanatory notes for Supplementary Estimates 2018-2019 to Government in Finance (BG-I/Health-II) Department without fail.

11. This orders issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No. 44911/Health-II/2018, dated:12.09.2018 and ASL No.1259 (One thousand two hundred and fifty nine)

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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//FORWARDED BY ORDER //

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